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The Eagles defeat NCCU on Saturday, face Coastal Carolina on Sunday

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CONWAY, S.C.- The Georgia Southern men's tennis team won against North Carolina Central with ease, cruising to a 6-1 victory in Conway, South Carolina on Saturday. Although the Eagles picked up a point due to a shortage of players on NCCU's roster, the Blue and White proved dominance across the board.

"It was unfortunate that NCCU didn't have a complete team. Nevertheless, the guys had good focus and took care of business," head coach [Sander Koning](#) said. "We came out a little tense in doubles, but after the first few games we settled in and played the way we are capable of."

Doubles partners [Nico de Groof](#) and [Eddie Landin](#) had their shot at the No.1 position and beat Kert Kilumets and Thomas Persico 6-3. At line two, [Christian Kerrigan](#) and [Rise Lanne](#) won their doubles match by the same score.

Even with the shift of the lineups in singles, the Eagles found their rhythm. Sophomore JC Alcala took his shot at the No.1 spot for the first time in his collegiate career and won 6-1, 6-0.

"In singles I am very proud of the guys. They came out with good intensity and focus," Koning said. "JC played really well at the No.1 position. We have been practicing with him on being more aggressive and today he was able to implement that throughout the match."

The newest addition of the team, [Ze Moya](#), made his debut at No.4 and won his first set over Thomas Persico 6-1 before the match was retired. Dani Casablanças and Kerrigan also found success, with Kerrigan sweeping his opponent 6-0, 6-0. Even though [Eddie Landin](#) didn't pick up a point for the team, he didn't go down without a fight. He eventually lost in the tiebreaker 10-12 against No.2 Gabriel Cucalon.

RESULTS

Georgia Southern 6, N.C. Central 1 Singles competition

1. JC Alcala (GS) def. KILUMETS,Kert (NCCU) 6-1, 6-0
2. CUCALON,Gabriel (NCCU) def. [Eddie Landin](#) (GS) 6-3, 2-6, 12-10
3. [Daniel Casablanças](#) (GS) def. CALLEGARI,Davide (NCCU) 6-3, 6-0
4. [Ze Moya](#) (GS) def. PERSICO,Thomas (NCCU) 6-1, retired
5. [Christian Kerrigan](#) (GS) def. STREPAY,Dillon (NCCU) 6-0, 6-0
6. [Nico de Groof](#) (GS) def. No player (NCCU), by forfeit

Doubles competition

1. [Nico de Groof](#)/[Eddie Landin](#) (GS) def. KILUMETS,Kert/PERSICO,Thomas (NCCU) 6-3
2. [Christian Kerrigan](#)/[Rise Lanne](#) (GS) def. CUCALON,Gabriel/CALLEGARI,Davide (NCCU) 6-3
3. [Daniel Casablanças](#)/[Ze Moya](#) (GS) def. No player/No player (NCCU), by forfeit

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The Eagles play against Coastal Carolina, the host of the weekend, on Sunday at noon.

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